

This deposition taken before us Sam'l R. Taylor & Nathaniel P.
King two of the Justices of the peace for the County of
Orange & State of North Carolina To be read in
evidence on a trial before the General Assembly
of North Carolina now in session in favor of
John Parton for Divorce from his wife
Mary Parton

Alexander Henderson witness in favor of petitioner
Deborah and Ruth on oath as follows (viz) I
question by the petitioner. Have you any knowledge of any
person or persons having had criminal conversations
with my wife or do you know of any circumstances
or heard any conversation that would lead your mind
to such conclusion. As I know of no criminal
intercourse having been had I have seen nor heard of
none but this that an individual said to me that
him self & Mary the defendant had met below the
garden but that now further course was pursued
and he will not say whether the meeting was
casual or by appointment I went to be
deposited to before us this the ^{December} 12th 1835

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S. R. Taylor JP

N. P. King JP

Amherstboro

Mrs. ~~Sam'l~~ ^{John} Parton being examined Depoete
and by the Eyes of ~~the~~ ^{the} Petitioner have you heard
Mary My wife say that a certain Man or the
night of the 8th of December last was in bed with
her. Answer I heard Mary say that on that
night the man alluded to ~~in another question above~~
was lying on the bed ~~on top of the clothes~~ ⁱⁿ